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In re Application of Michishita, et al

Serial No.: 09/918,438

Filed: August 1, 2001

**For: WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXING OPTICAL TRANSMISSION
METHOD AND SYSTEM**

Contents:

- 1. Excess Claims Fee Letter (2 pages, including 1 copy); and**
- 2. Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111 (15 pages)**

NEC Ref: 234824/00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yukio Michishita, et al.

Serial No.: 09/918,438

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For: WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXING OPTICAL TRANSMISSION
METHOD AND SYSTEMHonorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	<u>AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>PREV. PAID FOR</u>	<u>EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>FEE DUE</u>
Total Claims	20 -	20	= 0	x \$18.00	\$ 00.00
Indep. Claims	6 -	4	= 2	x \$86.00	\$ 172.00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

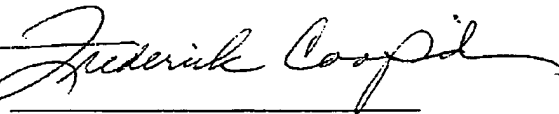
\$ 172.00

The Commissioner is authorized charge Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481 in the amount of \$172.00 to cover the excess claim fees and to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date:

8/20/04

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